

## **Daniel 3**

### **Text: Daniel 3**

**Purpose:** There are many times as Christians we find ourselves needing to stand for what we believe rather than go along with what seems popular. In this discussion, we look at how to follow God even when the consequences are difficult.

**Opening Question:** What's one thing you are looking forward to this summer?

### **Read and Discuss: Daniel 3**

1. Have you ever been in a situation where you were invited to do something that you knew was wrong? What was it?
2. Idols are a big part of Daniel's story. What is an idol and why does God not want us to have any other idol before Him?
3. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego chose not to bow down to the image of gold. While their decision makes sense, it isn't always easy to choose God in certain times. Why do we have difficulty at times choosing God and His will, specifically in tough or difficult circumstances?
4. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's faithfulness to God is prevalent in their decision to worship God. Our faith is an all-or-nothing thing. Do you agree with this?
5. Take a look at your life: what are things that you are being faithful to God with and what do you need to hand over to God and simply be faithful to Him?

### **Calvary Season of Prayer: Petition**

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. (Ephesians 6:18)

- In this season of Petition, please take a few minutes with your group to pray and ask God to build and support our church.
- Take a few minutes together to pray and ask God...
  - Pray for all the Lord's people, knowing that they are eternally bound together with us. Pray for the protection and faithfulness and fruitfulness of all Christians.
  - We are called to pray for believers even if we don't completely understand their context or culture or language. Pray for all the Lord's people by continually giving them over to the blessing and protection of Jesus.